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**INTERIM** MINUTES OF 04/08/2026  
Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482 475-323-2070 via Zoom:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89531093509>

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| • Bethel                     | Absent                                                 |
| • Bridgewater                | Absent                                                 |
| • Brookfield                 | Absent                                                 |
| • Danbury                    | Absent                                                 |
| • Darien                     | Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg        |
| • Greenwich                  | Commissioner of Public Works James Michel              |
| • New Canaan                 | Public Works Director Tiger Mann                       |
| • New Fairfield              | Absent                                                 |
| • New Milford                | Absent                                                 |
| • Newtown                    | Absent                                                 |
| • Norwalk                    | Absent                                                 |
| • Redding                    | Absent                                                 |
| • Ridgefield                 | Absent                                                 |
| • Sherman                    | Absent                                                 |
| • Stamford                   | Director of Transportation Thomas Turk                 |
| • Weston                     | Absent                                                 |
| • Westport                   | Town Engineer Keith Wilberg                            |
| • Wilton                     | Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio |
| • Transit Representative SWR | NTD Director of Service Planning Rick Schreiner        |
| • Transit Representative HV  | Absent                                                 |

**Others Attending:** Greenwich Chief Engineer Gabriella Circosta-Cohee, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, Traffic Engineer Jianhong Wang, Stamford Senior Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser, CTDOT Transportation Planner II Matthew Abbott, FHWA Transportation Specialist Jennifer Brady, FTA Acting Director of Planning & Program Development Brandon Burns.

**WestCOG Staff Members:** Kristin Hadjstylianos, Todd Fontanella, Mike Wilson, Kristin Floberg, Kevin Mahoney, Amal Malik, Garrett Reed and Cricket Carpenter.

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER:** WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

### **FEATURED PRESENTATION**

Federal Certification Review was presented by FHWA Transportation Specialist Jennifer Brady and FTA Acting Director Planning & Program Development Brandon Burns

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** *limited to topics on this agenda and to 2 minutes per speaker.*  
No member of the public spoke when asked to do so.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**2027-2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Project Solicitation & Demo**  
WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided an update and a demonstration.

**ADA Transition Plans Assistance Project**  
WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an update.

**Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox**  
WestCOG's Mike Wilson provided an update.

**Draft HVMPO & SWRMPO FY27-30 Transportation Improvement Program**  
WestCOG's Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an overview.

**FY 2027 MGP 13b Program Announcement**  
WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided an update.

**Safe Streets for All – FY26 Funding Opportunity**  
WestCOG's Mike Wilson provided an update.

**Data Campaign 26**  
WestCOG Assistant Planner Garrett Reed provided an update.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of the March 2026 meeting minutes**  
After review and on a motion made by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Stamford Senior Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser the minutes of the March 2026 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

**FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program SWRMPO – #0135-0346; Stamford**  
WestCOG’s Amal Malik provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Greenwich Commissioner of Public Works James Michel and seconded by New Canaan Director of Public Works Tiger Mann the FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program SWRMPO – #0135-0346; Stamford was unanimously approved.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

WestCOG’s Senior Project Manager Kristin Floberg announced the CTDOT Long Range Transportation Plan is now available for review and public comment through May 22<sup>nd</sup>. CTDOT will be hosting two virtual public meetings on Wednesday, April 22 at 12:00 PM and 6:00 PM for additional engagement. The attachment included in the packet includes the registration link and study website where the draft can be viewed. WestCOG staff will review and provide comments.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

MPO/COG Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.

TAG Meeting \*\*Tuesday May 12th, 2026

**ADJOURNMENT:** On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

**INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY THE MEMBERS**